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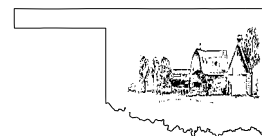
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SOIL MOISTURE DWINDLES

January 31- Mostly dry weather during January caused a reduction in soil moisture supplies Statewide. Small grain grazing began to show the affect of the lack of rainfall. Some areas reported the dry weather conditions have restricted the growth of wheat pasture and limited available grazing. Both topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated in mostly short to adequate categories.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
6	33	60	1

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
6	24	68	2

Small Grains: Winter wheat condition was rated good to fair. Condition of rye and oats remained about the same as last month with both crops rated mostly in good to fair condition. Winter wheat grazed reached 60 percent compared with 35 percent last year and the 5 year average of 35 percent. Rye grazed was 86 percent compared with 40 percent last year and the 5 year average of 22 percent.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

January 31, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	1	4	25	54	16
Rye	1	2	27	44	26
Oats	1	6	41	45	7

Pasture: Wheat pasture available for grazing was limited across the State due to the unusually dry and below normal temperatures for this time of the year. Cattle producers need rain to help their winter grass grow. Pasture was rated in mostly good to fair condition.

Livestock: Livestock were rated in mostly good condition. Mild temperatures in January has been good for cattle feeding Statewide. Hay supplies are above average. In some areas, pond levels are getting low enough that producers have had to haul water.

LIVESTOCK CONDITION BY PERCENT

January 31, 2003

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	5	29	60	6
Pasture & Range	4	12	43	38	3



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OKLAHOMA CROP PROGRESS

January 31, 2003

Item	2002	2001	5 - Year Avg.
Wheat -			
Grazed	60	35	35
Rye -			
Grazed	86	40	22
Oats -			
Grazed	45	36	30

WEATHER FOR MONTH JANUARY, 2003 -Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees at Newkirk on Thursday, January 23rd to 79 degrees at Erick Tuesday January 28th. Precipitation averaged 0.02 in. Panhandle district to 0.16 in. East Central district. Soil temperatures averaged 28 degrees at Shawnee on Friday January 24th to 51 degrees at Idabel on Tuesday, January 21st.

MESONET TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA

Districts	Temperature			Precipitation			
	Month of January, 2003			September 1 to January 31, 2003			
	High	Low	Average	Current Month 01/01- 01/31	Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
Panhandle	51	23	36	0.02	7.09	+ 1.44	126
West Central	49	25	36	0.02	10.88	+ 1.54	117
Southwest	50	26	37	0.04	11.56	+ 1.02	110
North Central	47	23	34	0.07	11.91	+ 1.81	118
Central	48	25	36	0.07	12.29	- 1.67	88
South Central	51	28	39	0.04	13.30	- 2.82	83
Northeast	46	23	34	0.12	9.07	- 6.81	57
East Central	48	26	37	0.16	10.60	- 8.04	57
Southeast	51	25	39	0.08	14.79	- 6.69	69